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75 COLLAGES BY

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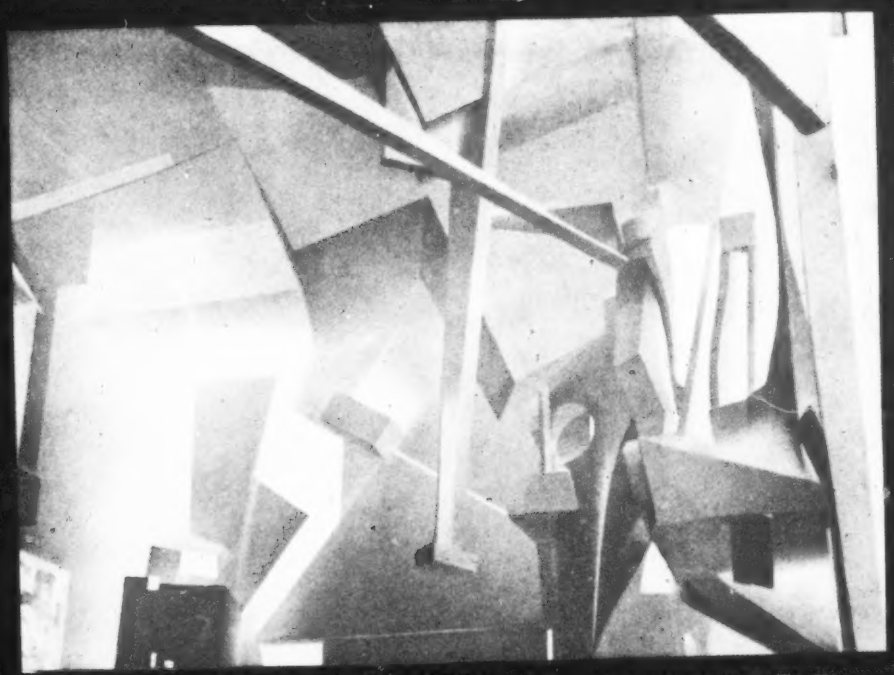
Kurt Schwitters ca 1928



View: Merzbau, Hanover before 1933 *(destroyed by bombing in World War II)*

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Of those artists to use *Collage* as a medium in XXth Century Art, Kurt Schwitters has been the most persistent. In his earliest works of the Dada period (1919-23) *Collage* was mainly his technique, and continued to be until his death in England in 1948.

Whether we attribute the use of *Collage* in his work to psychological or sociological factors, or characterize his technique as cubist, dada or abstract, the result was always of highest esthetic merit. Scraps of paper which he used were selected from the world of waste, retrieved and given an artistic life of their own. Despite the usual small format of the pictures — sometimes only a few centimeters — they are monumental.

In his lifetime Schwitters was recognized only by a small coterie. Today he is a great inspiration to younger artists who are finding *Collage* more and more an authentic medium of XXth Century artistic expression.

This is the Gallery's third Schwitters exhibition. Much of his work also has been included in the Gallery's presentation of *Dada* in 1953, as well as in frequent group shows. In recent years extensive one-man exhibitions of Schwitters' work have been held in Germany, France, Switzerland and England.

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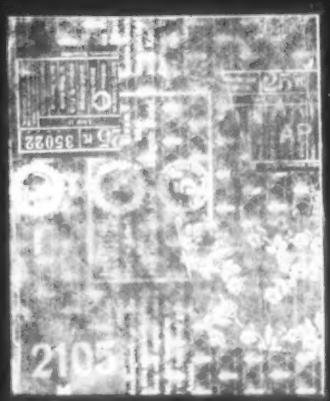

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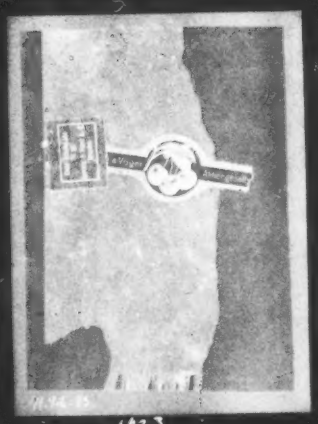

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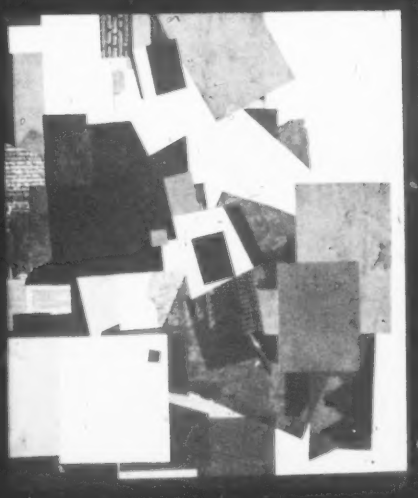

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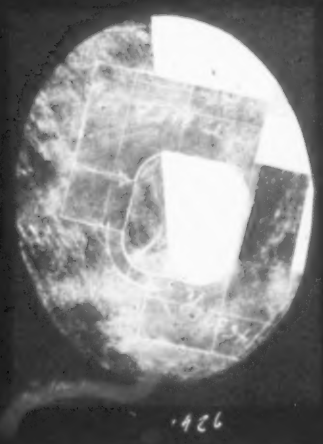

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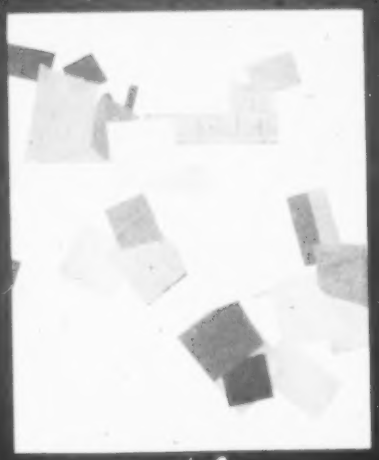

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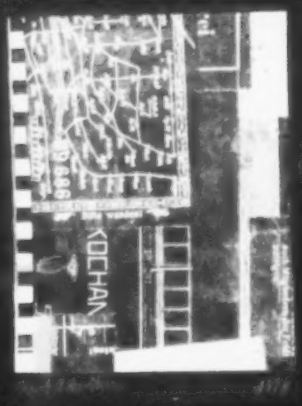

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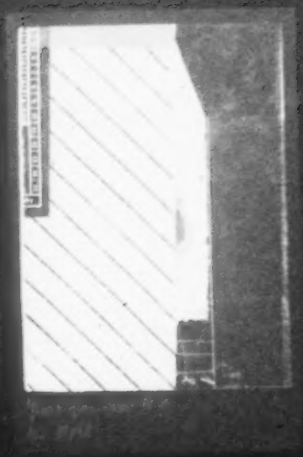

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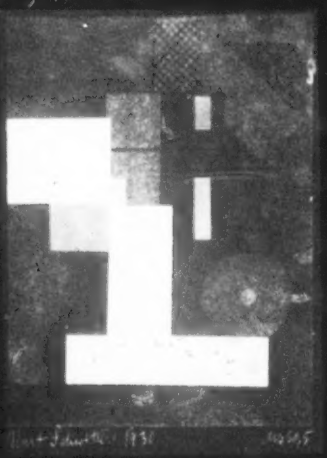

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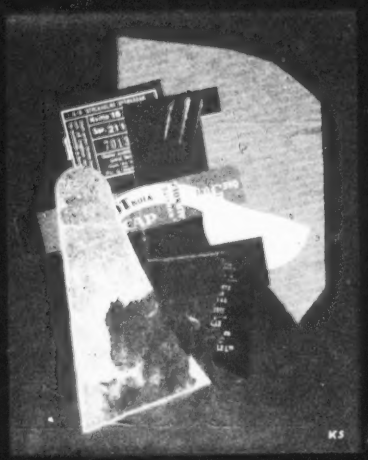

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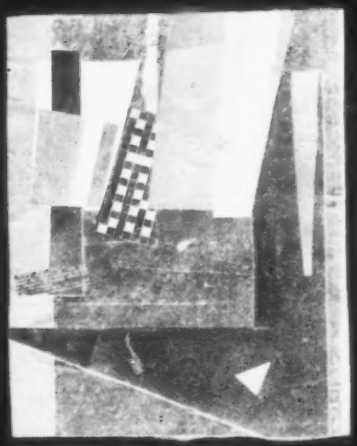

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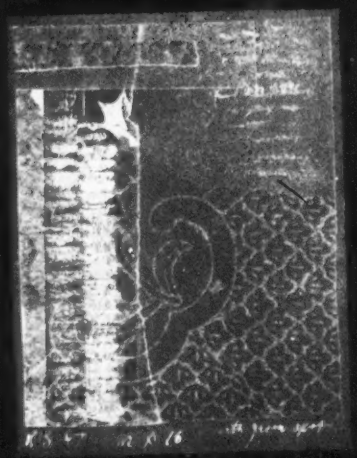

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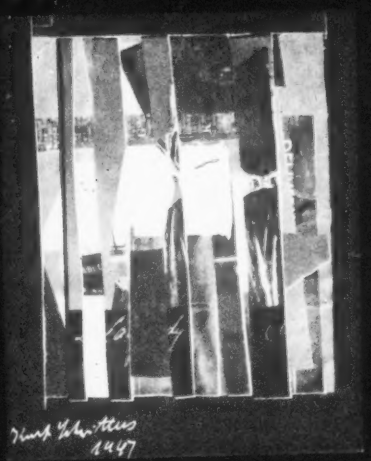

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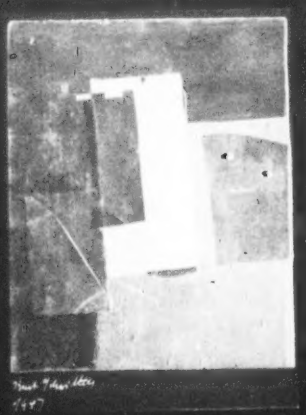

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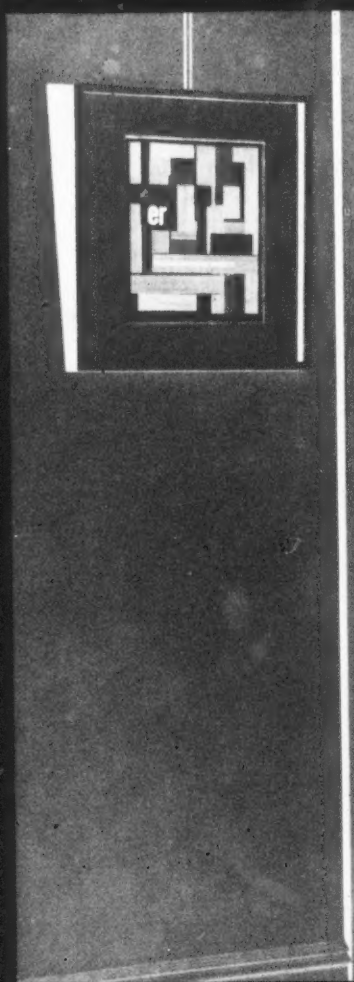

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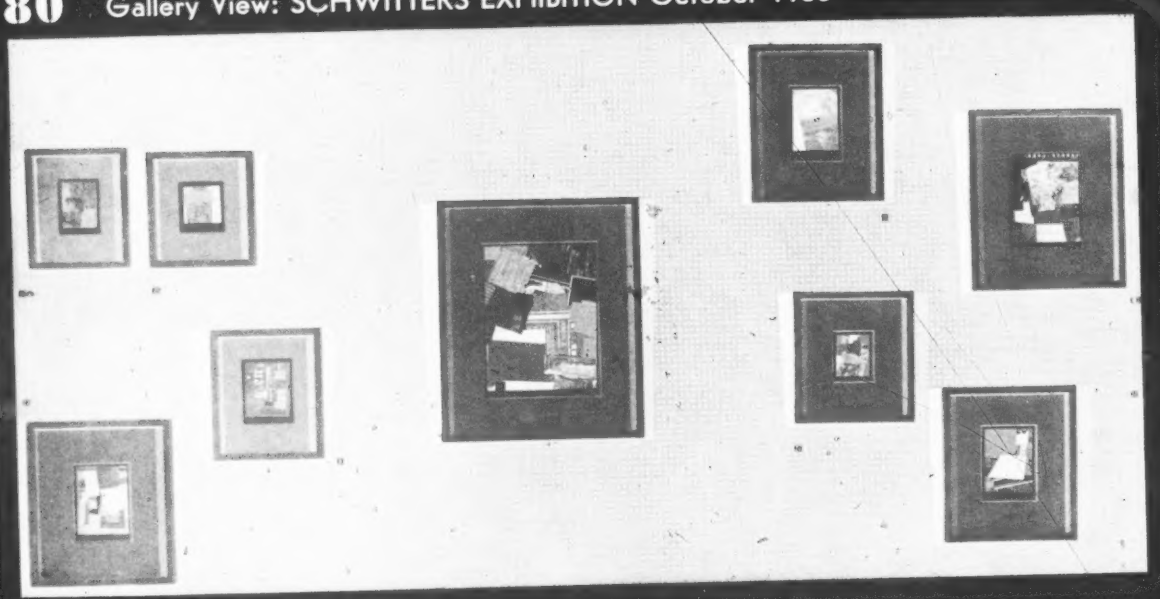

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